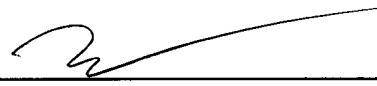


Applicants elect the claims of Group I, that is, claims 1-48 and 52-110, with traverse. If the Examiner determines that Applicants have presumed incorrectly as to which claims the Examiner intended to include in Group I, clarification is respectfully requested.

If the Examiner believes that a conference would be of value in expediting the prosecution of this application, he is cordially invited to telephone the undersigned counsel at (650) 838-4441 to arrange for such a conference. No fees are believed to be due, however, the Commissioner is authorized to charge any underpayment in fees to Deposit Account No. 50-2207. This paper is being filed in duplicate.

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